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**Important Notice for Clients Receiving Child Development and Care Subsidies**

Legislative requirements in the Department of Human Services (DHS) Fiscal Year 2010 budget require all aide and relative care providers to complete a basic training requirement in order to become or remain eligible for state child care reimbursement.

This basic training, called the Great Start to Quality Orientation, will provide valuable information and resources to child care providers about a variety of health and safety issues.

**Please keep these important dates in mind.**

**All aide and relative care providers applying/reapplying on March 7, 2010 or after**, will be required to complete the Great Start to Quality Orientation **before** being able to receive payment as a DHS child care provider.

**NOTE:** Aide and relative care providers **will not** be eligible to receive payment for **any** child care services provided prior to completing training.

**Effective September 17, 2010**, all aide and relative care providers who applied before March 7, 2010 must have completed the Great Start to Quality Orientation to remain eligible as a DHS provider.

Aide and relative care providers that **do not** complete the training will be automatically terminated and will not receive any further payments until the training requirement is completed and all other enrollment requirements are met.

**NOTE:** The provider will not be eligible for any payment for periods between the termination date and the training completion date.

Please visit [www.greatstartforkids.org](http://www.greatstartforkids.org) (and click Great Start Connect) to find a licensed or registered child care provider in your area or to assist your current provider in finding the required training. If you do not have access to the Internet, call 1-877-61GREATSTART (1-877-614-7328) to be connected to the Great Start Regional Child Care Resource Center in your area.

Notification of this change has also been sent to DHS enrolled aide and relative care providers.